

Acts

THE BOOK OF ACTS

ACTS 2:33-38

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SUNDAY REFRESHER

How do you know when someone new is in charge? Priorities shift, expectations change, and what matters to the leader begins shaping everything around them. In Acts 2, Jesus has been raised from the dead and exalted to the throne. We cannot see Him seated at the Father's right hand, but Pentecost allows us to see what He is doing from there. Jesus pours out His Spirit, ordinary people proclaim the gospel, and hearts are changed.

Pentecost was more than a dramatic display of spiritual power. It was the beginning of a new people living under the reign of Jesus. Sinners repented, strangers became family, possessions became tools for love, worship filled their lives, and the gospel continued moving outward. These were the visible effects of an enthroned King. The same question now comes to us: If someone watched the way we live together, would they see evidence that Jesus is truly in charge?

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PERSONAL REFLECTIONS

- *What did God say to you through this passage and teaching?*
- *Did God reveal anything new to you?*
- *How is this relevant in your journey to make disciples who Love God and Love people?*



QUESTIONS

- *When you look honestly at your priorities, relationships, decisions, and use of your resources, where can you see evidence that Jesus is in charge, and where might you still be resisting His leadership?*
- *The Holy Spirit empowered ordinary people to proclaim the mighty works of God across cultural and language barriers. Who has God placed in your life who needs to hear about Jesus, and what might be keeping you from speaking?*
- *Acts 2 describes believers devoted to truth, fellowship, prayer, worship, generosity, and shared life. If someone watched our church for a year, what would they conclude about who is in charge, and what part can you play in making the reign of Jesus more visible?*

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES

Joel 2:28–32 | Philippians 2:9–11

CONCLUSION

Pentecost shows us what begins happening on earth because Jesus is reigning in heaven. The Spirit is poured out, the gospel is proclaimed, hearts are pierced, sinners come home, and a new community begins to form. The point is not ultimately the wind, the fire, or the languages. The point is Jesus. The man who was crucified is alive, exalted, and reigning as Lord and King.

Jesus is still calling people to repent, receive forgiveness, and live under His gracious rule. His reign should be visible in the way we worship, love, forgive, give, serve, and carry the gospel into the world. We may not be able to see Jesus seated on the throne, but when His people surrender to His Lordship and live together under His authority, the world should be able to see what the King is doing from there.

Knowing that life transformation happens best through intentional, meaningful relationships, don't let this week's sermon remain as mere information. In the next few days, look for ways to teach, challenge, encourage and/or pray about what you're discovering!

